

HOUSE No. 1939

By Mr. Timilty of Milton, petition of Walter F. Timilty and others relative to the establishment of exam listings for police applicants for the Department of State Police. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

Walter F. Timilty Brian Knuuttila
Paul J.P. Loscocco

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Notwithstanding section 11 of chapter 22C of the General Laws
2 or any other general or special law to the contrary, each appoint-
3 ment for initial enlistment as a uniformed member of the state
4 police shall be made from a list established as the result of a com-
5 petitive examination conducted under the direction of the colonel,
6 after consultation with the personnel administrator, who shall
7 determine their form, method and subject matter. Each such com-
8 petitive examination shall fairly test the knowledge, skills, and
9 abilities which can be fairly and reliably measured and which are
10 actually required to perform the primary or dominant duties of the
11 position of uniformed member of the state police.

12 The names of persons who pass such examinations for appoint-
13 ment for initial enlistment as a uniformed member shall be placed
14 on an eligible list in the order of their respective scores; provided
15 however, that veterans shall receive two additional points to their
16 score on the examination for the purpose of such eligible list; and
17 provided, further, that the son or daughter of any uniformed
18 member who passes the written examination for such initial enlist-
19 ment shall have his or her name placed on said eligible list for
20 such initial enlistment if said uniformed member while in the per-

21 formance of his duties was killed or sustained injuries which
22 resulted in his death, permanent and total disability or permanent
23 disability.

24 Any appointment for such initial enlistment shall be made from
25 the first three names on such list who are eligible for such
26 appointment and are willing to accept such appointment.

27 The colonel shall make rules and regulations relative to the
28 right of any applicant for appointment for enlistment to the
29 department of state police to appeal (i) a marking of the appli-
30 cant's answers to the questions on such promotional examination;
31 (ii) a finding by the colonel that an applicant does not meet the
32 entrance requirements for such examination or exceeds the
33 mandatory entrance age for enlistment; and (iii) the suitability of a
34 question to test the fitness of such member to perform the primary
35 and dominant duties of the position for which the examination
36 was held. The colonel shall promulgate regulations specifying the
37 time within which any vacancy in the department shall be filled.